Today is the day when we remember the baptism of our Lord Jesus. There is a service of Holy Communion at Ockley where we will be observing the Baptism of Christ. We think about the encouragement that Jesus received from God at his baptism and how we too can hear that God is pleased with us. Today we also welcome Gail Lawther who is joining us for a very special Cafe Church this morning at Capel. Gail is going to lead us in this month's theme 'Face to Face with Jesus'. We pray for Gail as she leads and speaks to us and we thank you for her important ministry and her many gifts. Let us pray that all may hear God's voice of encouragement and guidance in the work they do and the path they tread. We pray for those are unsure and uncertain, wherever they are. May they hear the voice of God drawing them into the work of the kingdom and encouraging them to accept God's praise and affirmation.

We pray for those we know who are suffering, in body, mind or spirit, naming before you: Jennifer, Nicky, Tessa, Nick, George, Rebecca, Sally and Clare. May they know God's loving care for them and never lose hope. We pray for ourselves, in our continuing journey of faith. In good times and in bad, may we never lose sight of the glory of God. We give thanks for those we love who have reached their journey's end, and now rejoice in God's eternal kingdom and pray for the family and friends of Christopher Cobb and Edith Martin who died recently. We also pray and hold in our hearts Peter and Jackie Boothby whose beloved daughter Claire died earlier this week. May each know that God promises to be with them and is with us always even in the darkest of times.

InSpire - January is now available in churches and online. As the new year begins InSpire is in need of sponsorship. If you would like to sponsor a copy or share sponsorship with someone else please do contact our wonderful editor Suzanne for more details or see your new January issue!

We wish God Speed and all God's blessings to our ordinand Gill Christie as she begins her three month placement at St Saviours Church Guildford. This placement is part of Gill's third year of training for ordination where she will experience life and worship in a different church or ministry setting. Therefore we will not enjoy Gill's ministry and presence with us until after Easter so please do keep Gill and her family in your prayers at this significant phase in her training. Please do also keep Sunday 29th June free for the Ordination Service at Guildford Cathedral.

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Parish of Capel and Ockley

12th January 2025

Baptism of Christ



Sunday 12th January - The Baptism of Christ

9.30 Holy Communion - CW Ockley

Cafe Church - Capel - Face to Face with Jesus 10.30

with special guest Gail Lawther along with our friends

from Forest Hill and Okewood churches

Tuesday 14th January - Women of the Nativity

Study group continues at 1 Old Barn Drive Capel 3pm

Sunday 19th January - Epiphany 2

10.30 Parish Communion - Capel

Sunday 26th January - Epiphany 3

9.30 Holy Communion BCP - Ockley

10.30 Morning Worship - Capel

Every Wednesday 9 - 12 Pavilion Café in Ockley, Cricket Pavilion with visit from Community Fridge

> Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

> > Isaiah 43.1

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